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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In Response to the non-final Office Action mailed September 13, 2006, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Also submitted with this Response is Applicant's Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 24 of this paper.